

## Appendix 1

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<p><b>Mobile Phone Connectivity –</b> Many rural areas of the UK, including South Northamptonshire, experience difficulties with mobile phone connectivity. Is any progress being made on improving this?</p> <p>Suggested by: Cllrs Harries and Hopkins</p>	<p>The Committee previously discussed the ‘What three words’ app, that requires mobile connectivity to work. The app allocates three random words to each square metre of land, and the three words can be given to emergency services operators in the event of needing to request help and not being able to access specific address information. More information can be found at <a href="http://what3words.com">what3words.com</a></p>	<p>The Committee requested this item remain on the Topic Sheet with further updates provided if there are any.</p>
<p><b>Business Strategy</b></p>	<p>This report has not yet been completed and is expected to be available at the beginning of 2021</p>	<p>The Assistant Director Planning and Economy will update the Committee at January 2021 Committee meeting</p>
<p><b>106 Agreements –</b> review of progress on agreements</p> <p>Suggested by: Cllr Sandra Barnes</p>	<p>In January 2020 the Committee agreed to set up two working groups, one to focus on the transport element of agreements and the other focussing on health.</p> <p>The Transport working group presented their report to the Committee in October</p> <p>The Health Working Group will submit their report to the 13 January Scrutiny Committee meeting.</p>	<p>Transport working group – Councillors Anthony Bagot-Webb, Caryl Billingham, Hywel Davies, Paul Wiltshire and Dermot Bambridge (Cabinet observer)</p> <p>Health working group – Councillors Sandra Barnes, David Harries, Rosie Herring, Elaine Wiltshire and Stephen Clarke (Cabinet observer)</p>

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<p><b>Co-op project</b> – Matter raised at Scrutiny Committee on 4 December.</p> <p>Suggested by: Cllr Ken Pritchard</p>	<p>The purchase of the Co-op site has now been completed.</p> <p>Progression of the site to be reported to Scrutiny Committee.</p> <p>Andrew Hunkin – Executive Director Resources and John Slack – Property Investment and Contracts Manager will give an update at the December meeting of the Scrutiny Committee.</p>	<p>Henry – Executive Director Finance (Section 151 officer) and John Slack- Property Investment and Contracts Manager have advised that on 3 August a A A A planning application was submitted for the demolition of the existing building on site to bring forward a car parking scheme. The application can be viewed on the council's website: <a href="#">Planning Application</a></p> <p>The proposal for the new car park has taken into consideration the provision of electric charging points; remodelling of the existing car parking bays and each bay will be remarked as they currently do not conform with parking standard requirements, additional lighting, CCTV cameras, landscaped areas and provision of additional bays.</p>
<p><b>Towcester Link Road</b></p>	<p>A request was made for the Committee to receive a progress report on the Towcester Link Road</p>	<p>Jim Newton – Assistant Director Planning and Economy</p> <p>This has been added to the work programme.</p>
<p><b>Draft Communities Strategy</b></p>	<p>This was due to come to before Scrutiny Committee in December, however the consultation will not be completed at this time and Members should be urged to encourage Parish Councils and residents within their Ward to comment on the Strategy.</p>	<p>Joanne Barrett – Assistant Director Wellbeing Peter Cox – Healthy Communities Manager</p>

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<b>Western Power</b>	On 9 September 2020, Ian Oliver and Graeme Hill from Western Power attended the meeting of the Committee and gave a comprehensive explanation of Electric power in South Northants.	An email has been received from Ian Oliver, Western Power who explains that a white paper is due, to address issues that were discussed at the meeting and details of forward investments.